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MEMORANDUM FOR :

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Historical Officer, Office

FROM

: Support Services Historical Officer (SSHO)

SUBJECT

: Review of Chapters I-III, Physical Security

1. Chapter I provides a good introduction to the subject of Physical Security, and I have suggested only one or two minor editions:

a. Several items which now appear as footnote references should be numbered and used as source references.

b. Section C, "Scope of the History," is better suited for use as a Foreword, and I have so noted.

2. Chapter II represents a considerable improvement over the earlier version and I have indicated only a few editorial changes.

3. Chapter III, Section A--the only portion received for review--tends to bog down somewhat from its year by year recitation of events, some of which are relatively unchanged from the beginning of the period (1947) to the close of the period (1953). This becomes especially bothersome with the presentation of annual statistics on number of visitors, numbers of badges, etc. These kinds of data are important to the story, but the purpose would be better served by preparing a Figure to show the data for the whole period. The significant annual events can then be better highlighted in the text. This should be kept in mind as the ensuing years are covered.

4. I also have noted one or two questions regarding comments in Chapter III, but none of these are earthshaking.

5. If you or John have questions, I'll be happy to discuss them with you.

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